



Attorney Docket No. 12369US01

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION OF:)	
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JENS MULLER,)	Group Art Unit 1745
PETER URBAN,)	
REGINA WEZEL,)	Examiner D. Yuan
KEVIN M. COLBOW and)	
JIUJUN ZHANG)	Express Mail No. EL848970195US
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SERIAL NO. 09/256,386)	Mailing Date: January 26, 2004
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FILED: FEBRUARY 24, 1999)	Customer No. 23446
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FOR: DIRECT DIMETHYL ETHER)	Confirmation No. 9751
FUEL CELLS)	

PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.136, Applicants hereby request a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action, made final, dated July 24, 2003. A Request For Continued Examination and Response and Request for Reconsideration (Submission with Request for Continued Examination) accompany this Petition.

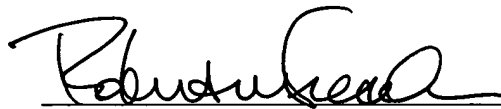
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A check in the amount of \$1720.00 to cover the RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) (\$750.00) and the fee for extension within third month (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) (\$950.00) accompanies this Petition. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-0017.

Respectfully submitted,



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